## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATION

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In the matter of

Maximum Amount of the Substance Abuse Minimum Coverage under the Michigan Insurance Code

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Section 3425 of the Insurance Code, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3425, requires each insurer offering health insurance policies to provide coverage for intermediate and outpatient care for substance abuse, upon issuance or renewal, in all contracts for group and individual hospital, medical, surgical expense-incurred health insurance policies other than limited classification policies. The minimum required coverage, per individual per year, a health insurer must provide is \$1,500, adjusted annually by March 31st each year, in accordance with the annual average percentage increase or decrease in the United States consumer price index for the 12-month period ending the preceding December 31st.

The new minimum substance abuse benefit level effective April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010 is \$3,919.

The minimum benefit levels for recent years are as follows:

April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009 ---- \$3,774 April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008 ---- \$3,671 April 1, 2006 through March 31, 2007 ---- \$3,557 April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006 ---- \$3,440 April 1, 2004 through March 31, 2005 ---- \$3,350

April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004 ---- \$3,275

If you have questions about this policy benefit or its minimum amount, please contact:

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